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In re: Mark Heimbaugh

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**STATUS INQUIRY**

Sir:

Applicants respectfully inquire as to the status of the above-identified patent application, and when the next communication from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office regarding the petition filed on March 31, 2004 for revival of this unintentionally abandoned patent application can be expected.

Respectfully submitted,



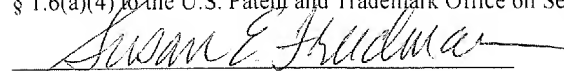
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